



MUNICIPALITY RESOLUTIONS

96-02-303
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation has proposed the construction of a four (4) lanes U.S. 20 from Freeport to Galena, and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation has studied various alignments for new construction of a four (4) lane U.S. 20, and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation has studied expanding the present two (2) lane U.S. 20 to four (4) lanes, and

WHEREAS, the alignment across Stephenson County is basically established, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Stephenson County will benefit from the construction of a four (4) lane U.S. 20.

THEN LET IT HEREBY BE RESOLVED, by the Stephenson County Board that they support the construction of a new four (4) lane U.S. 20 along the proposed new alignment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the construction of the proposed four (4) lane U.S. 20 across Stephenson County should not be delayed by alignment studies in Jo Daviess County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the Illinois Department of Transportation District Office in Dixon, Illinois; to the Secretary of Transportation in Springfield, Illinois; to our State Legislators; and to our U.S. Legislators.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at my office in Freeport, Illinois, in said County this 13th day of February, 1996.


County Clerk

(SEAL)



Carroll County Board

301 N. Main St., P.O. Box 153
Phone 815-344-0221

Mt. Carroll, Illinois 61053

1201-16

CARROLL COUNTY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY BOARD AS
FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane freeway between Galena and Freeport, preferably built to interstate standards.

2. We consider the construction of a new east-west, interstate standard 4-lane highway to be among the region's highest transportation priorities because of the benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved by making this highway four lane.

3. We urge the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Federal Highway Administration, and USDOT to give this project very high priority for federal funding. We further support inclusion of this project in any infrastructure or economic stimulus package currently under consideration in Congress.

4. We urge the United States Congress and President Bush to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and specifically request minimum funding of at least \$150 million for the first phase of the project, and more funds if possible.

5. We urge the Governor, the Illinois General Assembly, and IDOT to continue with their plans to upgrade the Freeport US 20 By-Pass to four lane status as set forth in IDOT's current five year plan for District II.

APPROVED this 20th day of December, 2001.

Adrian L. Peterson

CITY OF LOVES PARK

BY ALDERMAN Richard Brinker

RESOLUTION NO.

DATE: January 14, 2002

DEPARTMENT: Mayor's Office

RESOLVED, By Adoption of this Resolution,

That whereas, a four-lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four-lane road would help the economy of every community along the corridor and,

Whereas, US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted and,


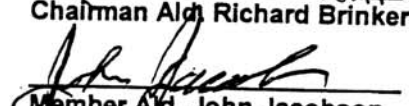
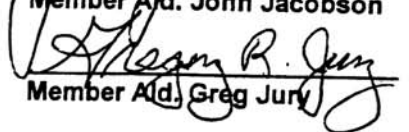
Whereas, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for seven years with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002, and that there is a consensus recommended alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County and,


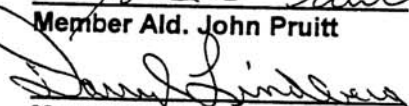
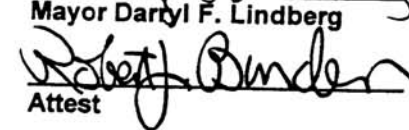
Whereas the project will be phased with first phases being a four-lane by-pass around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena and,

Whereas, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project and,

Whereas, a four-lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue,

Now therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Loves Park that we support this project and urge our fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this vital project.


Chairman Ald. Richard Brinker

Member Ald. John Jacobson

Member Ald. Greg Jury


Member Ald. John Pruitt

Mayor Darryl F. Lindberg

Attest

MOTION: Alderman Jury

SECOND: Alderman Brinker

VOTING: Motion carried. 9 Ayes (Aldermen Jury, Little, Pruitt, Laughlin, Miller, Holmes, Brinker, Zawlocki, Jacobson) 1 Absent (Alderman Thomas)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO)
CITY OF LOVES PARK)

CERTIFICATE

I, **ROBERT J. BURDEN, CITY CLERK**, IN AND FOR SAID City, State of Illinois, and keeper of the records and files thereof, as provided by Statute, being first duly sworn on oath, that he is the duly elected, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Loves Park, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, perfect and complete copy of Resolution 04-02, passed by the City Council of the City of Loves Park at a meeting held on January 14, 2002.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND AFFIXED THE SEAL OF SAID City this 15th day of January, 2002.


Robert J. Burden, City Clerk



OGLE COUNTY BOARD
OGLE COUNTY COURT HOUSE
OREGON, ILLINOIS 61061

OGLE COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OGLE COUNTY BOARD AS
FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane freeway between Galena and Freeport, preferably built to Interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of a new east-west, Interstate standard 4-lane highway to be among the region's highest transportation priorities because of the benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved by making this highway four lane.
3. We urge the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Federal Highway Administration, and USDOT to give this project very high priority for federal funding. We further support inclusion of this project in any infrastructure or economic stimulus package currently under consideration in Congress.
4. We urge the United States Congress and President Bush to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and specifically request minimum funding of at least \$150 million for the first phase of the project, and more funds if possible.
5. We urge the Governor, the Illinois General Assembly, and IDOT to continue with thier plans to upgrade the Freeport US 20 By-Pass to four lane status as set forth in IDOT's current five year plan for District II.

APPROVED this 15th day of January, 2002.


Jerry P. Daws, Ogle County Board Chairman

ATTEST:


Rebecca Huntley, Ogle County Clerk

RESOLUTION

11-R-02

WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in western Iowa and a four-lane road would help the economy of every community along this corridor, including municipalities in Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted; and

WHEREAS, and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and that there is a consensus recommended alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County; and

WHEREAS, the project will be phased, with first phases being a four-lane bypass around Freeport and a bypass around Galena; and

WHEREAS, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project; and

WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not a national transportation issue;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Machesney Park, Winnebago County, Illinois, that:

By the adoption of this resolution, Mayor Vaughn as a member of the Northern Illinois Mayor's Association and the Village of Machesney Park support this project and urge our fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this vital project.

FURTHER, we urge the United States Congress and President Bush to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21.

FURTHER, we urge Governor George Ryan, the Illinois General Assembly and IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) to continue with plans to upgrade the Freeport US 20 bypass to a four-lane status as set forth in IDOT's current five-year plan for District II.

FURTHER, the Village Clerk of Machesney Park shall attest the same after the signature of the Village President.

PASSED this 28th day of January, 2002.

Linda M. Laughlin
President of the Board of Trustees
of the Village of Machesney Park

ATTEST:

Nancy M. Metcalf
Village Clerk

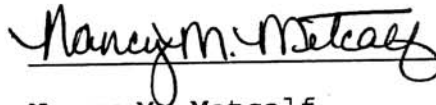
Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO)
VILLAGE OF MACHESNEY PARK)

CERTIFICATE

I, Nancy M. Metcalf, Village Clerk in and for said Village in the State of Illinois and keeper of the records and files thereof as provided by State law, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete copy of Resolution 11-R-02, a Resolution supporting the four-lane US 20 Project between Freeport and Galena.

In testimony, I have hereto set my official signature and corporate seal of said Village of Machesney Park, Illinois on the 31st day of January, 2002.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nancy M. Metcalf", is written over a horizontal line.

Nancy M. Metcalf
Village Clerk for the Village of
Machesney Park, Illinois

(SEAL)

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RESOLUTION #762-2002

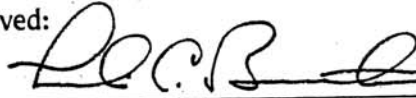
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A FOUR-LANE US 20 HIGHWAY BETWEEN FREEPORT AND GALENA

- WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four-lane road would help the economy of every community along the corridor; and
- WHEREAS, US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted;
- WHEREAS, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and that there is a consensus recommended for alignment through Stephenson and Jo Davies County; and
- WHEREAS, the project will be phased, with first phases being a four-lane by-pass around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena; and
- WHEREAS, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project; and
- WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS that we support this project, and urge our fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this vital project.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Belvidere, Illinois, this 4th day of
February, 2002.

Approved:



Mayor

Attest:


City Clerk

Ayes: Gamlin, Cantrell, Bowley, Fore, Alligood, Sanderson, Robinson, Dermer, Wise.

Nays: None

Absent: Gordon

Date Approved: February 5, 2002

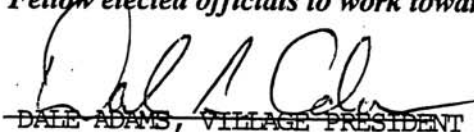
SPONSOR: Mayor Frederic C. Brereton

VILLAGE OF ROCKTON, ILLINOIS

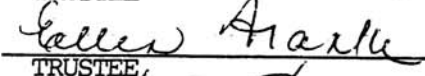
RESOLUTION # 2002-101

- WHEREAS** a four lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece Between I90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four road lane would help the economy of every community along the corridor, including Rockford; and
- WHEREAS** US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four lane status is already Warranted: and
- WHEREAS** and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for Seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and that There is a consensus recommended alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County; and
- WHEREAS** the project will be phased with first phases being a four lane by-pass Around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena; and
- WHEREAS** the rewrite of TEA -21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity To secure major funds for this project; and
- WHEREAS** a four lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, Transportation issue;

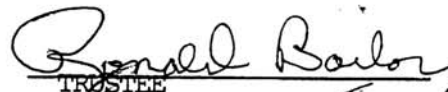
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ROCKTON, ILLINOIS *that we support this project and urge our Fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this vital project.*


DALE ADAMS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT

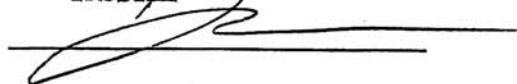

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY City Council AS
FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane freeway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.

2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane U.S. 20 to be among the region's highest transportation priorities because of the benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved by this project.

3. We urge the United States Congress and President Bush to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and specifically request funding of at least \$150 million for the first phase of the project, and more funds if possible.

4. We urge the Governor, the Illinois General Assembly, and IDOT to continue with their plans to upgrade the Freeport US 20 By-Pass to four lane status as set forth in IDOT's current five year plan for District II.

APPROVED this 4th day of February, 2002.

ATTEST:

Marilyn D. Hartley
Marilyn D. Hartley
City Clerk

William J. Frisbee Mayor

Roll Call On			
	Aye	Nay	Abs
Comm. Cullins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Comm. Kehoe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Comm. Kirichkow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Comm. Redieske	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Mayor Frisbee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		



Boone County Government

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RESOLUTION NO. 02-07

WHEREAS, a four-lane U. S. 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four-road lane would help the economy of every community along the corridor, including Rockford; and

WHEREAS, U. S. 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and that there is a consensus recommended alignment through Stephenson and JoDaviess County; and

WHEREAS, the project will be phased, with first phases being a four-lane by-pass around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena; and

WHEREAS, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project; and

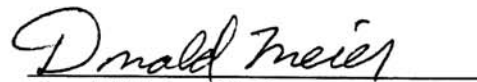
WHEREAS, a four-lane U. S. 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Boone, State of Illinois, that we support this project, and urge our fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this vital project.

Adopted by the County Board, County of Boone, State of Illinois, on this 13th day of February, 2002.

Attest:


Sylvia E. Schroeder
Boone County Clerk


Donald Meier, Chairman
Boone County Board

Ayes: 12 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

RESOLUTION
of the
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

Submitted by : Legislative Committee

2002-CR

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A FOUR-LANE U.S.20 BETWEEN
FREEPORT AND GALENA, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, a four-lane U.S.20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing link between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa; and

WHEREAS, a four-lane highway would assist the economy of every community along the corridor, including Rockford; and,

WHEREAS, U. S. 20 traffic usage and traffic safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted; and,

WHEREAS, an Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.) has been in the works for seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and,

WHEREAS, consensus has been reached on a recommended alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County; and,

WHEREAS, the project will be phased, with first phases being a four-lane by-pass around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena; and

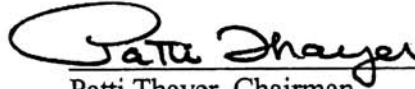
WHEREAS, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project; and,

WHEREAS, a four-lane U.S. 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue.

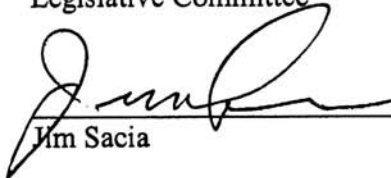
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of the County of Winnebago fully supports the construction of the U.S. 20 four-lane project between Freeport and Galena, Illinois, and urges our fellow elected officials to work toward the funding of this project so vital to the economy of Northwestern Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Board is hereby authorized to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to Congressman Don Manzullo, Senator Peter Fitzgerald, Senator Dick Durbin, and U. S. Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patti Thayer, Chairman
Legislative Committee

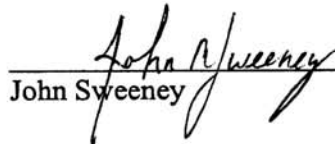


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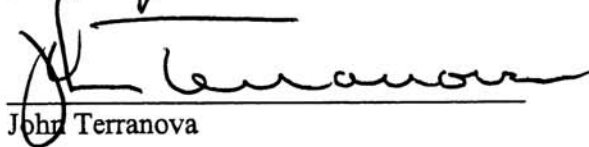
Cheryl Box



Randy Sturm

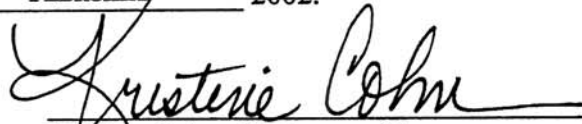


John Sweeney



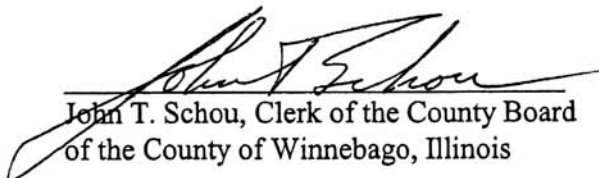
John Terranova

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois, this 14TH day of FEBRUARY 2002.



Kristine Cohn, Chairman of the
County Board of the County of
Winnebago, Illinois

ATTEST:



John T. Schou, Clerk of the County Board
of the County of Winnebago, Illinois

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE
US 20 CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, US 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US 20 to four lane status, and has already commenced construction of four lanes on US 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, 54 mile stretch of US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a 4-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate 4-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, the IDOT Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the projected new highway between Freeport and Galena in 2002; and

WHEREAS, a new interstate standard 4-lane freeway between Freeport and Galena would benefit every community along the I-35 to I-90 corridor by providing an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO)

JOHN T. SCHOU, COUNTY CLERK WITHIN AND FOR SAID COUNTY, AND HAVING
A SEAL DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE COMPARED THE FOREGOING COPY
OF THE RECORD OF:

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOUR-LANE U.S. 20
BETWEEN FREEPORT AND GALENA, ILLINOIS

WITH THE ORIGINAL RECORD THEREOF NOW REMAINING IN MY OFFICE, AND
HAVE FOUND THE SAME TO BE A CORRECT TRANSCRIPT THEREFROM AND OF
THE WHOLE OF SUCH ORIGINAL RECORD.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I HAVE HEREWITH SET MY
HAND AND AFFIXED THE SEAL OF SAID COUNTY, AT
THE CITY OF ROCKFORD, IN SAID COUNTY,

THIS 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2002



JOHN T. SCHOU WINNEBAGO COUNTY CLERK

BY: *Anna J. Conrad* DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION 02-02R

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FOUR LANE U.S. 20 CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, U.S. 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving U.S. 20 to four-lane status, and has already commenced construction of four-lanes on U.S. 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, 54 mile stretch of U.S. 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a four-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate four-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concern and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, the IDOT Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a four-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the projected new highway between Freeport and Galena in 2002; and

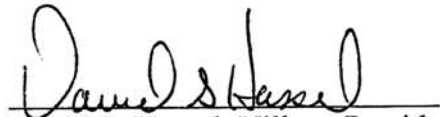
WHEREAS, a new interstate standard four-lane freeway between Freeport and Galena would benefit every community along the I-35 to I-90 corridor by providing an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE OF WINNEBAGO
AS FOLLOWS:**

1. We support the construction of a four-lane freeway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.

2. We consider the construction of the four lanes U.S. 20 to be among the region's highest transportation priorities because of the benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved by this project.
3. We urge the United States Congress and President Bush to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and specifically request funding of a least \$150 million for the first phase of the project and more funds if possible.
4. We urge the Governor, the Illinois General Assembly, and IDOT to continue with their plans to upgrade the Freeport U.S. 20 By-Pass to four lane status as set forth in IDOT's current five year plan for District 11.

APPROVED this 8th day of April, 2002.


David S. Hassel, Village President



**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE IMPROVEMENT OF US 20 TO A FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY
BETWEEN FREEPORT AND GALENA**

WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four-lane road would help the economy of every community along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted; and


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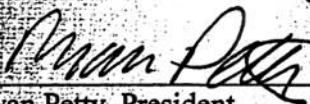
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WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ROCKFORD AREA COUNCIL OF 100 that we support this project; and urge our members and partners to work towards the funding of this vital project.


Fritz Jacobi, Vice-Chairman
Board of Directors
Rockford Area Council of 100


Ryan Petty, President
Rockford Area Council of 100

Approved by the Board of Directors on May 21, 2002



The Rockford Area
Business Community

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**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE IMPROVEMENT OF US 20 TO A FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY
BETWEEN FREEPORT AND GALENA**

WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the missing piece between I-90 and the Trans Canadian Highway (I-35) in Western Iowa, and a four-lane road would help the economy of every community along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, US 20 traffic and safety data underscore that four-lane status is already warranted; and


WHEREAS, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been in the works for seven years, with a public hearing scheduled for early 2002; and that there is a consensus recommended alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess Counties; and

WHEREAS, the project will be phased, with first phases being a four-lane by-pass around Freeport and a by-pass around Galena; and

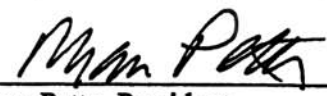
WHEREAS, the rewrite of TEA-21 at the federal level in 2003 provides an opportunity to secure major funds for this project; and

WHEREAS, a four-lane US 20 is not only a State of Illinois priority, but an Iowa priority as well, which provides the opportunity to make this a Midwestern, if not, a national transportation issue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ROCKFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE that we support this project, and urge our members and partners to work towards the funding of this vital project.



Jim Pirages, Chairman
Board of Directors
Rockford Area Chamber of Commerce



Ryan Petty, President
Rockford Area Chamber of Commerce

Approved by the Board of Directors May 28, 2002

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE US 20 CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, US 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, 54 miles stretch of US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a 4-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US 20 to four lane status, and has already commenced construction of four lanes on US 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate 4-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits' and

WHEREAS, the IDOT's Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the U.S. 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a 4-lane U.S. 20 linking I-90 to I-35 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY The Village of
Stockton AS
FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane US 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because of the

benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved.

3. We urge the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the U.S. 20 4-lane project between Freeport and Galena one of the State of Illinois' highest priorities for funding and completion.
4. We urge Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators, and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

APPROVED this 8th day of October, 2002.

Robey A. Brandt



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE
US 20 CONSTRUCTION**

WHEREAS, US 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, 54 miles stretch of US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a 4-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US 20 to four lane status, and has already commenced construction of four lanes on US 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate 4-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits' and

WHEREAS, the IDOT's Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the U.S. 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a 4-lane U.S. 20 linking I-90 to I-35 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY HANOVER VILLAGE BOARD AS
FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane US 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because of the

benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved.

3. We urge the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the U.S. 20 4-lane project between Freeport and Galena one of the State of Illinois' highest priorities for funding and completion.
4. We urge Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators, and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

APPROVED this 8th day of october, 2002.

Donald E. Schable
Mayor

US ROUTE 20 FOUR-LANE EXPANSION

WHEREAS, US ROUTE 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-39 and I-90 in Illinois, and in fact stretches across the entire United States, from the Atlantic to Pacific; and

WHEREAS, the 54-mile stretch of US Route 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a four-lane highway between I-35 and I-39 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US Route 20 to four-lane status, and has already commenced construction of four lanes between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate four-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, IDOT's Citizens Advisory council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and JoDaviess Counties for a four-lane freeway that is both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement for the US Route 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a four-lane US Route 20 linking I-35 with I-39 and I-90 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stephenson County Board urges construction of a four-lane highway, built to interstate standards, between Galena and Freeport; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Stephenson County Board considers the construction of a four-lane US Route 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because the benefits will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved; and

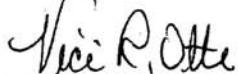
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Stephenson County Board urges the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the US Route 20 four-lane project between Freeport and Galena the State of Illinois' highest priority of funding and completion; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Stephenson County Board urges Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 for 2003 and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

ADOPTED this 9th day of October, 2002


Boyd L. Boyer
Chairperson
Stephenson County Board

ATTEST


Vici Otte
Stephenson County Clerk and ex-officio
Clerk of the Stephenson County Board



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October 14, 2002

Mr. Kirk Brown
Secretary of Transportation
819 Depot Ave.
Dixon, IL 61021

Re: U.S. 20 Interstate Project

Dear Mr. Brown:

The undersigned members to the Lena Village Board would like to go on record of support for the U.S. 20 Interstate project.

We realize that this project not only has significant importance to the future of the Village of Lena but it also is of regional importance. U.S. 20 is the missing link between I-90 and I-35 in Iowa. Since this project was first started in the 50's, we have seen tremendous growth in our area. The Galena Territories, Apple Canyon Lake, Apple Canyon State Park, the emergence of Galena as a major tourist attraction, plus the growth in truck traffic all lead to the need of a four-lane highway.

U.S. 20 has been studied to death. We urge you to complete the E.I.S., go to public hearing as soon as possible and to make this long awaited highway the top priority for the state of Illinois.

Sincerely,

Lena Village Board Members

Richard A. Heinkel, Board President

Ron Buchenau, Trustee

Mary Ellen Modica, Trustee

Rick Polhill, Trustee

Ryan Stockton, Trustee

David Gruendler, Trustee

Dan Stevens, Trustee

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE
US 20 CONSTRUCTION**

WHEREAS, US 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, 54 miles stretch of US 20 between Freeport and Galena is the "missing link" in construction of a 4-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US 20 to four lane status, and has already commenced construction of four lanes on US 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate 4-lane highway between Freeport and Galena, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits' and

WHEREAS, the IDOT's Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the U.S. 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a 4-lane U.S. 20 linking I-90 to I-35 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Stockton Chambers
FOLLOWS: of Commerce

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane US 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because of the

benefits which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved.

3. We urge the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the U.S. 20 4-lane project between Freeport and Galena one of the State of Illinois' highest priorities for funding and completion.
4. We urge Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators, and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

APPROVED this 17 day of October, 2002.

Larry J. Gmahl

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE US 20 CONSTRUCTION

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WHEREAS, the IDOT's Citizen's Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway that it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the U.S. 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a 4-lane U.S. 20 linking I-90 to I-35 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE OF LENA AS FOLLOWS:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane US 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because of the benefits, which will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved.

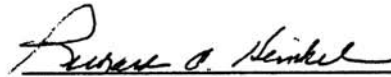
3. We urge the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the U.S. 20 4-lane project between Freeport and Galena one of the State of Illinois' highest priorities for funding and completion.
4. We urge Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators, and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

APPROVED this 14th day of October, 2002.

Attest:



Lynn Polhill
Village Clerk



Richard A. Heinkel
Village President

RESOLUTION NO. R02-08
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 4-LANE US 20 CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, US 20 is a major east-west artery between I-35 in Iowa and I-90 in Rockford, and in fact stretches across the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, a 54 mile stretch of US 20 between Galena and Freeport is the "missing link" in construction of a 4-lane highway between I-35 and I-90; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa recognizes the importance of improving US 20 to four lanes on US 20 between I-35 and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) supports construction of an interstate 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, based on traffic counts, safety concerns and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, the IDOT's Citizens Advisory Council has unanimously recommended an alignment through Stephenson and Jo Daviess County for a 4-lane freeway and it believes to be both cost effective and environmentally responsible; and

WHEREAS, the IDOT is scheduled to complete the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the US 20 project by November 15, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a 4-lane US 20 linking I-90 to I-35 would improve the economy of Northern Illinois and provide an efficient, safe corridor for people and commerce to the benefit of the entire region and the nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Galena City Council as follows:

1. We support the construction of a 4-lane highway between Galena and Freeport, built to interstate standards.
2. We consider the construction of the 4-lane US 20 to be the region's highest transportation priority because of the benefits that will accrue to every community along it and the lives that will be saved.
3. We urge the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly to make the US 20 4-lane project between Galena and Freeport one of the State of Illinois' highest priorities for funding and completion.
4. We urge the early completion of the 4-lane section of US 20 that will bypass Galena. Ideally, this section of the highway would be completed first to relieve tourism related traffic congestion on US 20 in Galena.

5. We urge Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, our United States Senators, and our Congressmen to include this project in the rewrite of TEA-21 in 2003, and to appropriate the funds needed for construction of this 54-mile segment.

Passed this 28th day of October, A.D., 2002.

AYES:

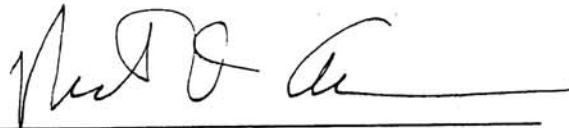
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NAYS:

None

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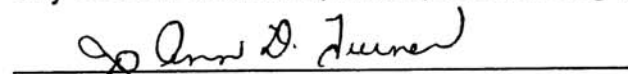
Rosenthal



Richard Auman, Mayor

ATTESTATION:

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the City Council of Galena, Illinois, at a meeting held on October 28, 2002.


Jo Ann Turner, City Clerk

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN INTERSTATE
U.S. 20 BETWEEN FREEPORT & GALENA**

RESOLUTION NO. R-2003-03

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has submitted the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on a 4-Lane U.S. 20 between Freeport and Galena (the "Highway") to the Federal Highway Administration for approval; and

WHEREAS, the EIS is the result of nine (9) years of extensive study of the Highway's environmental impact on the region; and

WHEREAS, the EIS documents show that the present Highway has a fatality and accident rate greatly in excess of the State average; and

WHEREAS, the current Highway contains numerous safety hazards, including limited or blocked sight distance, steep grades, inadequate shoulder widths, and extensive no-passing zones that will only increase the safety risk as traffic continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, a well-planned 4-Lane Highway is vital to economic development not only within the northwest region of Illinois, but between the entire corridor between I-90 in Rockford and I-35 in Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress will be adopting a new surface transportation plan for the United States in 2003 and funding for Illinois projects will be an important goal of the State of Illinois and its Congressional delegation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS that we support the construction of a new 4-Lane U.S. 20 Highway between Freeport, Illinois and Galena, Illinois on an expedited schedule to link I-90 in Rockford, Illinois and I-35 in Iowa.

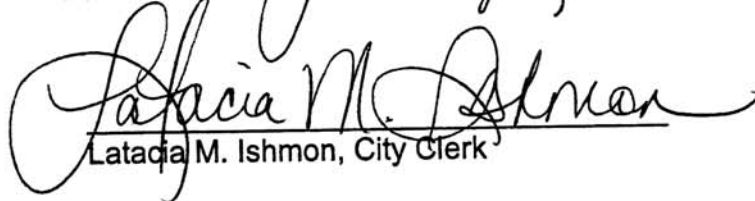
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council urges the Federal Highway Administration and IDOT to complete all required steps for formal approval of the required EIS within the next two (2) months (or as soon as possible).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council urges the Governor and our state and federal officials to prioritize the U.S. 20 project as a major State of Illinois priority for federal and state funding during the forthcoming session of the Illinois General Assembly and the Congressional rewrite of TEA-21.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to carry out the objectives of this Resolution and expedite construction of the Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution in support be forwarded to the Governor, the IDOT Secretary of Transportation (when selected), state and federal legislators, and other officials who impact transportation funding.

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS this 20th day of January, 2003.


Latacia M. Ishmon, City Clerk

APPROVED this 7th day of January, 2003.


James L. Gitz, Mayor

City Clerk's Certificate of Copy

STATE OF ILLINOIS

SS.

STEPHENSON COUNTY

I, Latacia M. Ishmon, City Clerk of the City of Freeport, Illinois, do hereby certify that the attached are true and correct copies of Resolution #R-2003-03, passed by the Freeport City Council on January 6, 2003, Resolution in support of an interstate US 20 between Freeport & Galena.

I further certify that as City Clerk, I am the keeper of all city records, ordinances and resolutions and that the originals of the attached documents are on file in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have herewith set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Freeport, Illinois, this 27th day of January, 2003.


City Clerk